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### REMARKS

Claims 1-16, 18-20, and 22-33 remain in the application including independent claims 1, 5, 11, 14, and 24. Claims 17 and 21 have been cancelled.

Claims 14-16, 18-20, and 24-33 are allowed. Claims 5-8, 11, 12, and 21-23 are indicated as allowable. Claim 5 has been rewritten in independent form, claim 11 has been rewritten in independent form, and claim 21 has been incorporated into claim 1. Thus, applicant asserts that claims 1-13 and 22-23 are now in condition for allowance.

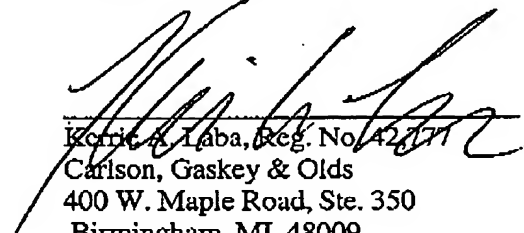
A shortened statutory period for reply was set at three months from the mailing date of the December 6, 2005 Office Action. Applicant filed a first reply on February 4, 2005, which was within two months of the mailing date of the December 6, 2005 Office Action. The mailing date of the subsequent Advisory Action was April 7, 2005, which was after the end of the three month shortened statutory period. Thus, the shortened statutory period expires on the date the Advisory Action is mailed and extension fees pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) are calculated from the mailing date of the Advisory Action. Thus, applicant petitions for a one-month extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant believes that all claims are now in condition for allowance. An indication of such is requested. Fees in the amount of \$400.00 for the additional independent claims and \$120.00 for the one-month extension of time may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1482 in the name of Carlson, Gaskey & Olds. Applicant believes no additional fees are due, however,

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the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1482 in the name of Carlson, Gaskey & Olds for any additional fees or credit the account for any overpayment.


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